

**PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE,
STATE OF LOUISIANA
CERTAIN FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL DATA**

Population of the Parish

The population growth trend of the Parish of Pointe Coupee is as follows:

YEAR	PARISH POPULATION	STATE POPULATION
1950	21,841	2,683,516
1960	22,488	3,257,022
1970	22,002	3,644,637
1980	24,045	4,205,900
1990	22,540	4,219,973
1991	22,609	4,251,560
1992	23,092	4,287,195
1993	23,118	4,295,477
1994	23,152	4,315,085
1995	23,380	4,339,352
1996	23,128	4,350,579
1997	23,532	4,351,769
1998	23,316	4,368,967

Sources: US Census; Louisiana Tech University, January, 1999.

Population of Municipalities

The population growth trends of the municipalities in the Parish of Pointe Coupee are as follows:

YEAR	FORDOCHE	LIVONIA	MORGANZA	NEW ROADS
1960		430	937	3,965
1970	488	611	836	3,945
1980	676	980	846	3,924
1990	869	970	759	5,303
1991	869	1,001	759	5,256
1992	877	1,104	759	5,270
1993	928	1,104	759	5,300
1994	933	1,206	759	5,362
1995	937	1,215	759	5,388
1996	934	1,232	759	5,388
1997	963	1,271	759	5,388
1998	963	1,304	759	5,510

Sources: US Census; Louisiana Tech University, January, 1999.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Personal Income

The Bureau of Economic Analysis of the US Department of Commerce publishes personal income data. The most recent revised per capita income figures for the Parish, Louisiana and the United States are as follows:

YEAR	PARISH	LOUISIANA	UNITED STATES
1990	\$12,195	\$14,281	\$18,666
1991	\$12,443	\$15,079	\$19,201
1992	\$13,949	\$15,817	\$20,137
1993	\$14,346	\$17,133	\$21,220
1994	\$15,114	\$18,086	\$22,056
1995	\$15,495	\$18,826	\$23,059
1996	\$16,727	\$19,609	\$24,164
1997	\$16,948	\$20,458	\$25,288

Source: US Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, October, 1998.

Retail Sales

According to the *Survey of Buying Power*, estimated retail sales by category in Pointe Coupee Parish were as follows:

(In Thousands)

Year	Total Retail Sales	Food	Eat/Drink	Gen Mdse	Furn/Appl	Auto
1991	\$77,490	\$32,413	\$3,271	\$5,401	\$1,047	\$19,162
1992	\$82,962	\$34,143	\$3,817	\$6,767	\$1,337	\$18,696
1993	\$84,423	\$32,588	\$4,110	\$7,467	\$1,341	\$20,172
1994	\$129,440	\$29,013	\$7,272	\$21,041	\$1,460	\$35,936
1995	\$133,769	\$26,926	\$7,051	\$21,382	\$1,421	\$42,829
1996	\$134,758	\$25,501	\$6,549	\$20,389	\$1,372	\$44,633
1997	\$147,424	\$24,904	\$7,302	\$19,332	\$2,035	\$45,125

(Note: The retail sales statistics in the 1995 edition of the *Survey of Buying Power*, which lists data for 1994, are based on newly published benchmark data from the 1992 Census of Retail Trade (CRT). Prior to this year, retail figures reported in the Survey were based on data from the 1987 Census [unlike the general Census, the CRT is conducted in five year intervals]. Whenever such an adjustment is made, trends in lines that fall across benchmark year are often skewed, a fact readers should keep in mind when comparing retail sales figures for 1994 and thereafter to those from prior years.

Source: Sales and Marketing Management, Survey of Buying Power, August, 1998.

SALES TAXES

Sales Taxes Levied in the Parish

The following is a summary, by area, of sales and use tax rates levied within the Parish of Pointe Coupee as of 12/31/98.

Entity/Area	Parish-Wide Tax	Municipal Tax	Total Local Tax	State Tax	Total Sales Tax
POINTE COUPEE PARISH	2.75		2.75	4	6.75
FORDOCHE	2.75	1	3.75	4	7.75
LIVONIA	2.75	1	3.75	4	7.75
MORGANZA	2.75	1	3.75	4	7.75
NEW ROADS	2.75	1	3.75	4	7.75

Source: Louisiana Department of Revenue and Taxation, Sales Tax Division, January, 1999.

Taxable Sales

Sales and use taxes are levied by various entities at various rates throughout the Parish. The following figures represent the tax base of a broad-based sales and use tax levied on a parishwide basis.

<i>(In Thousands)</i>					
Month	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
January	\$6,544	\$12,757	\$12,518	\$16,057	\$15,363
February	\$7,528	\$7,564	\$9,971	\$13,104	\$19,954
March	\$8,592	\$8,412	\$10,357	\$12,542	\$11,103
April	\$9,582	\$9,294	\$11,631	\$14,630	\$13,520
May	\$8,887	\$7,476	\$11,419	\$14,959	\$12,838
June	\$15,777	\$9,393	\$14,288	\$15,499	\$13,773
July	\$8,458	\$9,924	\$18,386	\$18,277	\$15,532
August	\$9,116	\$9,178	\$14,516	\$13,604	\$12,816
September	\$12,270	\$9,250	\$14,351	\$12,616	
October	\$9,287	\$11,122	\$18,408	\$12,918	
November	\$9,482	\$9,986	\$13,044	\$11,919	
December	\$12,757	\$8,934	\$11,115	\$9,788	
Annual Total	\$118,277	\$113,290	\$160,002	\$165,912	

Source: Oakland Econometrics.

PROPERTY TAXES

Assessed Valuation of the Parish

The recent trend in the assessed valuation of property throughout the Parish of Pointe Coupee is as follows:

Year	Taxable Assessed Valuation	Homestead Exemptions	Total Assessed Valuation
1990	\$71,138,671	\$20,934,720	\$92,073,391
1991	\$75,148,008	\$21,052,996	\$96,201,004
1992	\$145,737,243	\$21,532,906	\$167,270,149
1993	\$148,116,724	\$22,073,612	\$170,190,336
1994	\$194,092,781	\$22,594,617	\$216,687,398
1995	\$192,848,749	\$23,255,053	\$216,103,802
1996	\$196,838,910	\$25,531,475	\$222,370,385
1997	\$192,418,813	\$26,191,386	\$218,610,199
1998	\$187,184,971	\$26,889,975	\$214,074,946

Source: Pointe Coupee Parish Assessor's Office.

A breakdown of the assessed valuation of the Parish by classification of property is as follows:

Year	Real Estate	Personal Property	Public Service
1990	\$44,626,396	\$19,593,955	\$27,853,040
1991	\$44,862,040	\$21,326,194	\$30,012,770
1992	\$45,674,841	\$24,391,638	\$97,203,670
1993	\$46,403,213	\$26,818,303	\$96,968,820
1994	\$47,398,020	\$28,271,348	\$141,018,030
1995	\$48,464,289	\$27,560,633	\$140,078,880
1996	\$54,712,574	\$30,399,101	\$137,258,710
1997	\$56,625,706	\$29,968,763	\$132,015,730
1998	\$57,693,235	\$29,009,071	\$127,372,640

Millage Rates

The recent trend in the aggregate ad valorem tax rates (in mills) levied on a parishwide basis by various entities within the boundaries of the Parish of Pointe Coupee follows:

Year	Millage
1990	39.25
1991	39.23
1992	37.96
1993	35.42
1994	35.51
1995	35.51
1996	36.55
1997	37.32
1998	38.32

Sources: Louisiana Tax Commission and Pointe Coupee Parish Assessor's Office.

Leading Taxpayers

The ten largest property taxpayers of the Parish of Pointe Coupee in 1998 and their assessed valuation are as follows:

TAXPAYER	ASSESSED VALUATION
1. CAJUN ELECTRIC CORP.	\$80,838,455
2. ENTERGY GULF STATES	\$23,393,070
3. AMOCO PRODUCTION CO.	\$5,840,312
4. COLONAIL PIPELINE CO.	\$3,808,800
5. TRANSCONTINENTAL GAS PIPELINE	\$3,414,180
6. UNION PACIFIC CORP.	\$3,373,460
7. TEXAS EASTERN TRANSMISSION CO.	\$3,215,020
8. REGIONS BANK OF LOUISIANA	\$2,421,667
9. POINTE COUPEE ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CO	\$1,978,910
10. FLORIDA GAS TRANSMISSION	\$1,966,980

Source: Pointe Coupee Parish Assessor's Office.

SCHOOL STATISTICS

Enrollment

The recent trends in public school registration, average daily membership and average daily attendance in the Pointe Coupee Parish school system are as follows:

REGISTRATION	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE	3,405	3,149	3,252	3,231
AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP	3,681	3,406	3,515	3,495
PUBLIC	3,915	3,629	3,591	3,447

"Average Daily Attendance" reflects the average daily attendance of member public school students during the session. "Average Daily Membership" reflects the average daily count of public school students registered during the session. "Public" reflects the count of public school students registered on the first day of the school year, including pre-kindergarten.

Expenditures

Expenditure trends for the Pointe Coupee Parish School Board are as follows:

EXPENDITURES	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
MEAN TEACHER SALARY	\$25,408	\$24,907	\$25,719	\$27,569
CURRENT EXPEN PER STUDENT	\$4,492	\$4,431	\$5,293	\$5,028
CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$143,048	\$839,303	\$1,791,957	\$3,238,116
DEBT SERVICE	\$1,413,174	\$1,675,156	\$1,527,843	\$1,507,176
CURRENT EXPENDITURES	\$16,538,637	\$16,021,323	\$16,320,414	\$17,305,713

Source: Louisiana Department of Education.